Monthly Summary on Syrian Refugees in Turkey

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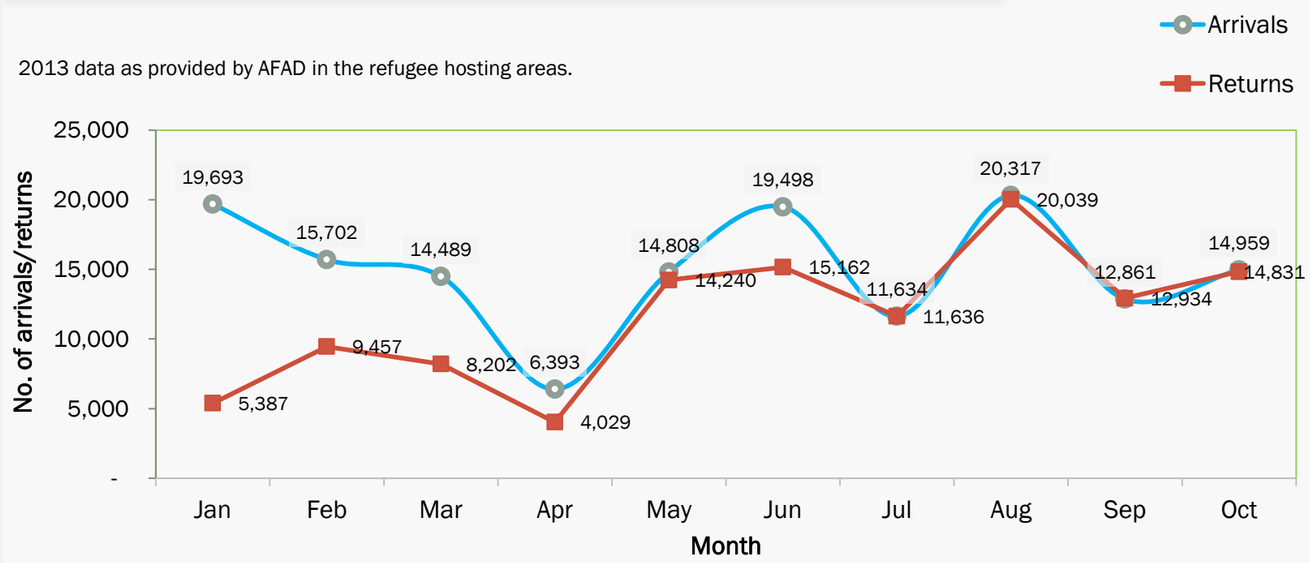
Refugee Population Analysis

Total monthly arrivals and voluntary returns of Syrians in Turkey



Total Number of Refugees	506,536
Registered Refugees	506,536
Refugees Awaiting Registration	0
Camp Population	200,009
Urban Population	306,527
Estimated Total Number of Syrians in Turkey	660,000

Regional distribution of Syrian refugees in Turkey

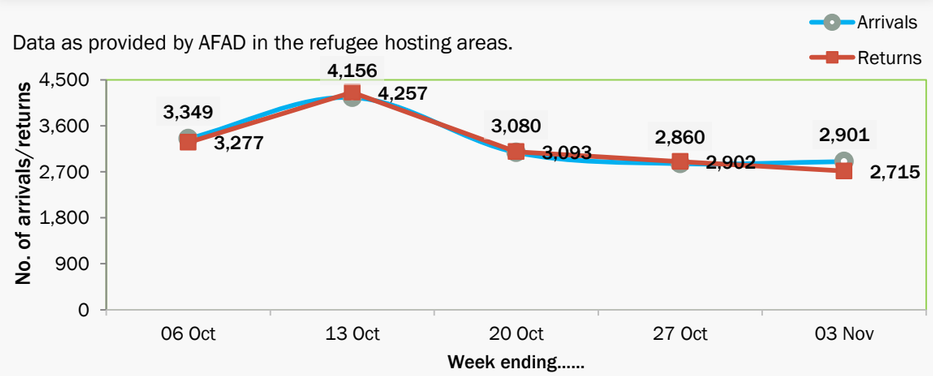
Of the 10 provinces hosting refugee camps, Sanliurfa continued to host the biggest number of Syrian refugees (33%), with two of the tent camps (Akcakale and Ceylapinar) hosting over 24,000 refugees each. Gaziantep province continued to host the biggest number of out-of-camp Syrian refugee population, with over 100,000 hosted in the two cities of Gaziantep and Nizip.

Arrival trends and voluntary returns

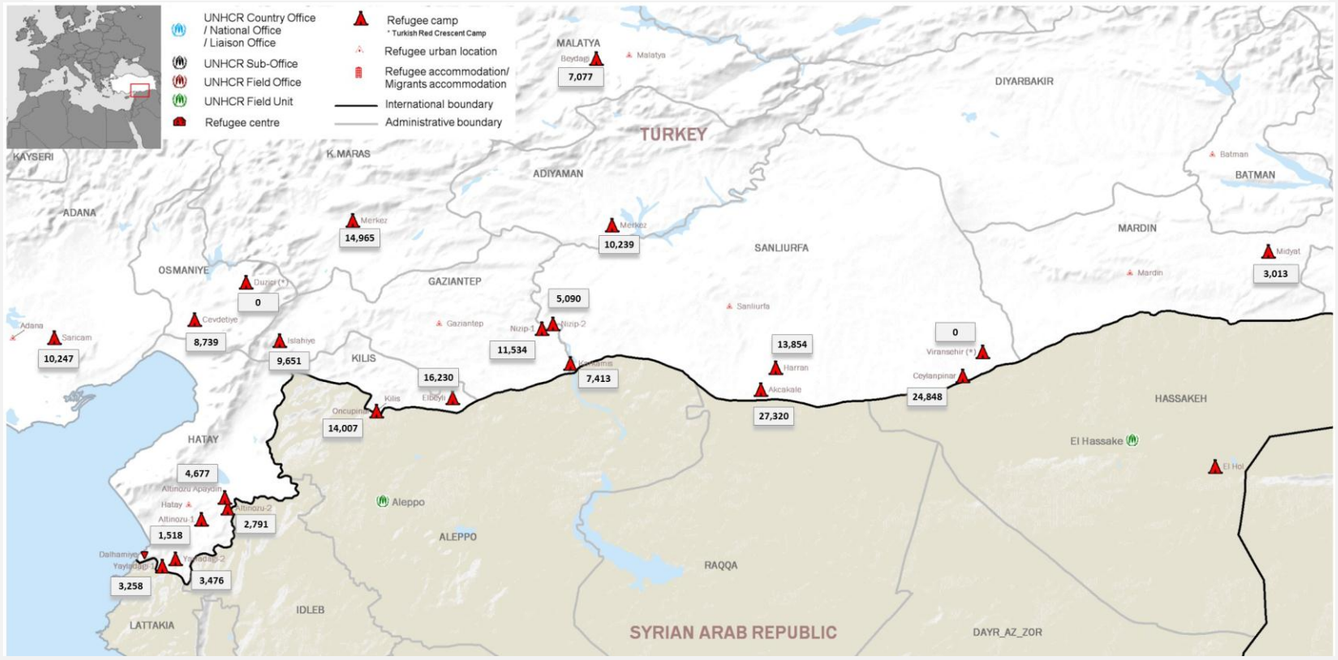
During the month of October, the total reported number of arrivals increased by 16% compared to the previous month. However, on a week-by-week basis, there was a general reduction in the number of arrivals towards the end of the month. The registered number of refugees in camps and outside the camps stood at 506, 536, an increase of about 2% from September.

This slight increment in the refugee population can be explained by the level of voluntary returns that increased by about 15% from September to October. Overall, the number of arrivals and returns were very similar by the end of October.

Arrivals and voluntary returns during the month of October 2013



Refugee population distribution by camp



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